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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: KOREA IN UNGA

REF: A. STATE 217373, B. STATE 220773, C. RABAT 4928

1. THE KOREAN AMBASSADOR SAW FONMINISTRY  
SECSTATE CHERKAOUI SEPTEMBER 13 AND RECEIVED WHAT HE  
BELIEVES TO HAVE BEEN A CONSIDERED RESPONSE TO HIS  
EARLIER DEMARCHES SEEKING GOM COSPONSORSHIP OF THE  
FRIENDLY KOREAN RESOLUTION AND A NEGATIVE VOTE ON THE  
UNFRIENDLY RESOLUTION. (AS ADDRESSEES WILL RECALL, GOM  
VOTED FOR THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION LAST YEAR AND ABSTAINED  
ON THE UNFRIENDLY):

2. CHERKAOUI STATED THAT THE GOM UNDERSTANDS AND WILL  
TRY TO SUPPORT ROK EFFORTS AT THE UNGA. HOWEVER, THE  
FACTS OF LIFE ON THE SAHARAN ISSUE PRECLUDE GOM COSPONSOR-  
SHIP OF THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION OR A NEGATIVE VOTE ON  
THE UNFRIENDLY RESOLUTION UNLESS THE SAHARAN DISCUSSION  
IS DISPOSED OF AT THE UNGA BEFORE THE KOREAN ITEM. THE  
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KOREAN AMBASSADOR GATHERED, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOM IS

LIKELY TO VOTE FOR THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION. IF THE SAHARA ISSUE PRECEDES THE KOREAN ITEM, CHERKAOUI SAID THAT THE GOM WOULD HAVE FLEXIBILITY TO VOTE AGAINST THE UNFRIENDLY RESOLUTION AND EVEN POSSIBLY COSPONSOR THE FRIENDLY ONE. THE GOM IS INSTRUCTING ITS NEW PERMREP ALI BENJELLOUN, WHO IS NOT KNOWLEDGEABLE ON THIS SUBJECT, AND THE ROK AMBASSADOR HAS URGED HIS PERMREP TO KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE MOROCCANS.

3. THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR'S APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED FOR TODAY, SEPT. 14, WITH FONMIN LARAKI TO PRESENT THE CORE GROUP'S VIEWS HAS BEEN POSTPONED, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF CONTINUING TALKS WITH UN REFUGEE HIGH COMMISSIONER SADRUDDING KHAN. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP.

4. MEANWHILE, EMBOFF CARRIED OUT THE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN REFTEL B DURING A SEPTEMBER 11 CALL ON CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION IN MFA, ABDELLAH BENKIRANE. BENKIRANE TOOK NOTE OF THE U.S.'S URGING THAT MOROCCO COSPONSOR THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION AND SAID THAT THE MATTER WAS CURRENTLY BEFORE HIS MINISTER FOR CONSIDERATION. EMBOFF LEFT AN AIDE MEMOIRE AND THE FRENCH TEXT OF THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION.

5. FOR USUN: WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON ORDER IN WHICH SAHARA AND KOREAN ITEMS ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR. ANDERSON

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